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SUBJECT: IEA MEMBER COUNTRY SELECTIVE CONSERVATION  
PROGRAMS

REF: TAYLOR/BAKKE TELCON

1. WE HAVE DEVELOPED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERN-  
ING SELECTIVE CONSERVATION MEASURES TAKEN BY IEA COUN-  
TRIES SINCE JANUARY 1974.

A. INCREASES IN TAXES (OR FREEING PRICES FROM CONTROLS)

COUNTRY	FUEL/SECTOR	SIZE OF TAX
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IRELAND	GASOLINE	NEW TAX RAIDED THE PRICE OF GASOLINE 30 PERCENT
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UNITED KINGDOM COAL, NATURAL GAS SUBSIDIES ON THOSE  
NATIONALIZED IND-  
USTRIES REMOVED  
AND PRICES NOW  
REFLECT PRODUCTION  
COSTS

PETROLEUM THE VALUE ADDED  
TAX WAS RAISED  
FROM ZERO TO 25  
PERCENT. THIS  
INCREASE PLUS  
INCREASES IN OTHER  
TAXES RAISED GASO-  
LINE PRICES BY 40  
PERCENT

SWEDEN GASOLINE, INCREASE TAXES  
(ALL PROGRAMS HEATING OIL APPROXIMATELY 5  
BEFORE PARLIA- PERCENT, TOTAL TAX  
MENT) INCREASE ABOUT 50  
PERCENT OVER LAST  
18 MONTHS

ITALY GASOLINE IN ADDITION TO  
GASOLINE PRICE  
INCREASES, TAXES  
ON GASOLINE HAVE  
BEEN INCREASED BY  
50 PERCENT OVER  
LAST YEAR

SWITZERLAND GASOLINE INCREASE IN TAX BY  
10 PERCENT OF RE-  
TAIL PRICE SO  
TOTAL TAX IS 60  
PERCENT OF PRICE

FUEL OIL 7 PERCENT INCREASE  
IN TAX ON FUEL OIL

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PRICE CONTROLS  
ABOLISHED AND  
ENERGY DEMAND SUB-  
JECT TO MARKET  
FORCES

BELGIUM PETROLEUM PREFERENTIAL TAX

RATE WHICH FAVORS  
DIESEL ENGINES HAS  
BEEN ESTABLISHED

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GERMANY FUEL OIL THE FUEL OIL TAX OF

15 GERMAN MARKS/  
TON, WHICH WAS  
SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE  
IN DECEMBER 1974,  
HAS BEEN EXTENDED

B. NEW BUILDING STANDARDS (REGULATIONS)

COUNTRY MEASURES TAKEN

IRELAND NEW THERMAL STANDARDS  
UK NEW INSULATION STANDARDS

SWEDEN      STRENGTHENING BUILDING STANDARDS  
SWITZERLAND      LOCAL GOVERNMENTS STRENGTHENING NEW  
                 THERMAL STANDARDS  
GERMANY      STRENGTHENING INSULATION STANDARDS

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C. INCENTIVES FOR ASSISTANCE FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN  
EXISTING BUILDINGS

COUNTRY      MEASURES ADOPTED

UNITED KINGDOM      100 PERCENT TAX ALLOWANCE ON  
                 INSULATION  
SWEDEN      POUNDS 32.5 MILLION FOR INSULATION  
BELGIUM      GOVERNMENT COVERS UP TO 25 PERCENT OF  
                 COST OF IMPROVING INSULATION IN  
                 EXISTING BUILDINGS  
NETHERLANDS      145 MILLION GUILDER FUND TO IMPROVE  
                 INSULATION

D. MEASURES TO OBTAIN CONSERVATION IN INDUSTRY

COUNTRY      MEASURES TAKEN

IRELAND      1. GRANTS TO INDUSTRY TO IMPROVE  
                 EFFICIENCY OF HEATING PLANT AND  
                 EQUIPMENT (POUNDS 25,000 / YEAR)  
  
                 2. FINANCIAL AIDS TO INDUSTRY CON-  
                 TINGENT ON ENERGY CONSERVATION  
                 PLANNING.  
  
UNITED KINGDOM      POUNDS 3 MILLION FUEL SAVING LOAN  
                 PROGRAM  
  
ITALY      PROGRAM TO CONTROL, MONITOR AND  
                 IMPROVE COMBUSTION IN INDUSTRY.  
  
JAPAN      ENERGY SAVING INVESTMENTS DEPRECIATED  
                 BY 33 1/3 PERCENT IN THE FIRST YEAR.  
                 A LOAN PROGRAM AT INTEREST RATES WHICH  
                 ARE 1-2 PERCENT LOWER THAN COMMERCIAL  
                 ONES HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED.  
  
BELGIUM      FURNACE BURNER CONTROL HAS BEEN  
                 ADOPTED.

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DENMARK 100 MILLION KRONER FUND TO IMPROVE

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HEAT CONSERVING SYSTEMS IN AGRICULTURE.

GERMANY 7.5 - 15 PERCENT INVESTMENT GRANT TO  
INDUSTRIES CONSTRUCTING NON-OIL BURN-  
ING POWER STATIONS, AND RELATED EQUIP-  
MENT PROMOTING CONSERVATION.

15 PERCENT INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT FOR  
DISTRICT HEATING AND SOLID WASTE  
PLANTS.

E. ELECTRICITY RATES.

COUNTRY      MEASURE

UNITED KINGDOM    PEAK LOAD PRICING INTRODUCED

SWEDEN          10 PERCENT TAX PROPOSED

ITALY            CHANGED ELECTRICITY TARIFF APPLIED IN  
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THE RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL SECTOR TO  
A PROGRESSIVE ONE.

JAPAN          ELECTRICITY TARIFF SYSTEM CHANGED TO A  
PROGRESSIVE ONE.

DENMARK        A SPECIAL ELECTRICITY TAX TO BE  
APPLIED IN JUNE 1975 FOR HOUSEHOLD AND  
SMALL CONSUMERS

2. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT MANY GOVERNMENTS ARE EITHER  
DEVELOPING PROGRAMS OR HAVE PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO  
THEIR PARLIAMENTS WHICH ARE NOT REFLECTED IN THE ABOVE.  
SOME OF THESE PROPOSALS ARE QUITE FAR REACHING AND, IF  
ADOPTED, COULD HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT ON ENERGY  
CONSUMPTION.

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